Guide for Live Attendees
The Gallery

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Using Email to Login

1. Follow this link to log into the conference gallery:
   https://mesa2020.secure-platform.com/a/organizations/main/home
2. Select View Schedule
3. Use your registered email to sign in to the gallery. Once you enter your email and select “Sign In” you will receive an email in your inbox with a new link to the gallery. Click that to officially log into the conference gallery.
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- Once you are signed in, select **Schedule** to find the conference schedule.
- Browse through the schedule to find your session.
- If you run into any issues, select the **Live Chat Widget** on the bottom right of the gallery. This will connect you with OpenWater Live Support who can point you in the right direction or send you direct links to any session.
Joining Your Session

- Find your session in the conference schedule and select the title of the session.
- On the left side of the screen is the Course Information. On the right side of the screen is where you will be able to join the session.
  - The rooms will open up 15 minutes prior to the schedule start time. Before the 15 minute mark a message will display reading ROOM CLOSED UNTIL X:XX AM / PM
  - When it is 15 minutes before the scheduled start time, that message will change to a button that says JOIN MEETING. Click to join the meeting. If you join prior to the scheduled start time, you will be placed into a Waiting Room until the meeting host admits you.
Screen Sharing Best Practices

- In your meeting you may want to share your screen to show a presentations and / or a pre-recorded video.
- To do this, click **Share Screen** in the Zoom toolbar.
- You can choose which screen, application, or page you’d like to share.
- OpenWater recommends sharing an **Application** vs an entire screen, as this will limit the chances of unwanted popups or notifications from displaying in your meeting.
- If you will be sharing a pre-recorded video, **make sure you select Share Computer Sound** before you select share. This will play sounds directly from your computer rather than picking up sound from your microphone. We also recommend **Muting Yourself** to prevent any sound feedback while you’re sharing.
- We **do not** recommend clicking **Optimize full screen video clip**. This will compress your video and make it too choppy and make most text in a video illegible.
Set Your Virtual Background

- If you are sharing your camera, you can choose to have a **Virtual Background**. To do this, click on the arrow next to **Start Video** and choose **Choose a Virtual Background**.

- The virtual background will work even if you don’t have a green screen. If you have a bookshelf or a lot of angles, the virtual background won’t work well.
All attendees can control their own camera views.

There are two main camera views:
- Active Speaker view: Only the person who is currently speaking will be displayed.
- Gallery Grid View: All active cameras will be displayed.

To change the view find the **Speaker Control Strip** at the top right of the screen (only appears when there is more than one active camera).
Chat

- The **Chat** feature can be used to communicate with hosts and other attendees.
- To access the chat feature, select the **Chat** icon in your Zoom toolbar.
- Depending on your meeting settings, you will be able to either chat with Everyone or Privately Message other attendees.
- You can use the Chat feature to also upload files.